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IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
ISABELLE AFRIAT ET AL. : GROUP ART UNIT: 1617
SERIAL NO.: 09/875,993 :
FILED: JUNE 8, 2001 : EXAMINER: NGUYEN, H.
FOR: USE OF CUBIC GEL PARTICLES :
AS AN ANTI-POLLUTION AGENT,
IN PARTICULAR IN A COSMETIC
COMPOSITION

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated May 17, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendment and remarks. Further, in accordance with the Examiner's request, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the references cited at page 3, lines 19-29, and page 9, lines 2-7, of the specification.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 8, lines 17-20, as follows:

A' --According to a second embodiment of the invention, the cubic gel particles are formed from a mixture of at least two amphiphilic compounds, one of the amphiphilic compounds being capable of forming a lamellar phase in the presence of water, and the other being capable of forming an inverse hexagonal phase in the presence of water.—

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